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BIG PRODUCING PLANT FOR NILES

Essanay Company Makes Announcement This Week

Will Erect $25,000 Building in Niles Very Soon

The announcement was made this week that the Essanay Film company had definitely determined to erect a $25,000 plant in Niles. The decision was made following the visit of George K. Spor of Chicago who is associated with Mr. G. M. Anderson in the Essanay company.

With the building and equipment of the plant here, the finished product of the company will be turned out here, giving employmentt to quite a number of people in addition to those already engaged in the work.

The announcement of the company that they would enlarge their work at Niles has been received with considerable satisfaction by our people locally.

Conntry Club Holds Meeting

The Country Club of Washington Township held its regular meeting on Tuesday Oct. 1st at the home of Mrs. F O. Bunting. Considerable business was transacted by the Club. Reports from the financial committees show a steady increase in funds collected for the new Club House. Fram Centerville, $129.50, from Decoto. $11.00, from Niles an increase of $7.50.

Mr. D. J. O'Leary from San Francisco Customs House, gave a very interesting and instructive talk on U. S. Customs. The chairman of the civics committee Miss Crocker gave an outline of their work proposed for the coming year. Miss Spencer furnished delightful music for the afternoon.

School Building Being Removed

The old Niles school building was purchased this week from the Southern Pacific company by James Rose who has already begun the work of tearing down and removing it. Geo. Kerr has charge of the work for Mr. Rose and expects to have the work of removal completed within ninety days.

Mr. Rose will use part of the material in the construction of a house and barn.

Ladies Minstrel

Laura Loma Parlor, N.D.G.W. of Niles have plans in readiness to put on a Ladies Minstrel Show in Connors Theatre in Niles Nov. 23. While the program will be given almost throughout by amateurs they will be assisted in the music by a professional of more than ordinary ability. Mr. Mackley, who is the director for the Essanay Moving Picture company will drill the ladies for this event. That the affair will be a sccess and will draw a crowded house is already assured.

DECOTO MAN GETS PATENT

Joe Smith Invents Device for Relieving Strain on Wagon Springs in Hauling

Joseph H. Smith of Decoto last week was granted a patent on a device which ought to prove a very profitable one to him. The patent was issued for a very simple and also very useful protector to the heavy springs on big fruit wagons. It consists of two iron hangers located below the springs and upon which they rest when a heavy load forces the springs down. Besides keeping the springs from spreading they reinforce the strength of thee springs at times of unusual strain and also prevent the wagon bed from hammering the running gear as it often does when heavily weighted. The suggestion came to Mr. Smith while hauling tomatoes,and now that he has secured a patent he will arrange to put the device on the market.

Party Given to Miss Mayhew

About forty young ladies and matrons responded to invitations sent out by Mrs. J. C. Shinn for a card party last Saturday afternoon, complimentary to her sister Miss Emelita Mayhew whose marriage takes place this month. The rooms were brightened with long sprays and vividly colored autumn leaves. Part of the guests chose "500" and part Bridge at cards to while away the afternoon hours, while others chatted over theoir needle-work. Souvenir prizes were won at Bridge by Miss Mayhew and at "500" by Miss Elvin Meyer and Mrs. Higley, all being pretty cups and saucers. The serving of dainty refreshments and a social half hour over the tea cups followed the games. Guests were present from Decoto, Centerville, Irvington, and Niles.

Catholic Fair at Centerville

The Catholic Fair of the Centerville church will take place on Oct. 19-20-21. It is especially desired that the fair this year shall be a very successfulo ne as considerable expense has been incurred in the improvement of the church property by the purchase of the Crothers lot.

A splendid assortment of fancy work is ready as well as many useful articles. There will be fun for the children and pleasures that the older ones can enjoy.

SEWER QUESTION DISCUSSED AT MEETING OF NILES BODY

The question of a septic tank sewer system for Niles was discussed at tthe meeting of the Niles Chanber of Commerce last Tuesday evening. The committee appointed to prepare data upon which further action might be taken was not ready with its report but will probably be ready at the next regular meeting October 15.

NILES CATHOLIC CHURCH FAIR THIS NOVEMBER.

The ladies of the Niles Catholic church are making preparations to hold a church fair during the even- of November 14th and 16th at Connors Theater. The names of those having charge of the various booths and arrangements will be published in the next issue of the paper.

TOWNSHIP BODY MEETS

Centerville Entertains Associated Chambers of Commerce

Many Important Matters Brought up at Regutar Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Associiaited Chambers of Commerce held Wednesday eveninig in Centerville was well attended, every Chamber being represented.

Dangerous railroad crossings and points of danger in the county roads were discussed and a committee consisting of Messrs. Hansen, W. Rose, Dr. Grimmer, H. Lachman and T. S. Fereira was appointed to make a report at the next meeting at which time some action will be taken.

The Secretary was instructed to write to the Livermore Chamber of Commerce and assure them of the co-operation of the township body in all matters pertaining to the welfare of Eastern Alameda County.

It was also decided to invite representatives of the Alameda County Taxpayers Association to be present at the next regular meeting of the Associated Chambers of Commerce at Decoto on November 6.

A committee consisting of H. Lachman, F. T. Hawes, Dr. Grimmer and Henry May was appointed to co-operate with the Committee of Native Sons and the Landmarks League in promoting the permanent restoration of the old Mission at Mission San Jose.

The questions of better transportation for the township, and means for building up the membership in the various Chambers were also taken up.

Ladies Guild Meeting

The Ladies Guild met in their pleasant rooms at the Congregational church last Wednesday. There was a large attendance, over thirty ladies being present. Mr. Edw. Ellsworth was present to present the matter of the indebtedness still remaining on the new church and plans for its payment. The gymnasium committee reported a live interest among the young people in the gymnasium work, —the room being now fully equipped for practice. The members decided to give an election dinner on November 4th at the Odd Fellows Building. Mrs. Snyder and Mrs. Chas. Overacker will entertain at the next meeting which follows in two weeks.

Guests Gather at Ardenwood

Ardenwood was the scene of a very pleasant At Home Saturday afternoon when Mrs. C. Layson of Arden and Mrs. L. Beard of San Francisco were hostesses, receiving as their guests ladies from every part of the township. They were assisted in receiving by Miss J. Beard of San Frrancisco, Miss E. A. Cockefair of Berkeley, Miss Ingalls of Decoto, and Miss May Hawley of San Jose.

The reception parlors were brightened by bowls of geraniums while the decorative feature of the luncheon tables was carried out in nasturtiums. Delicious refreshments were served during the afternoon.

FIRST GAME OF RUGBY SERIES

Centerville and Livermore Play Scoreless Tie on Livermore Field,

The Livermore and Centerville high school teams battled to a tie in the first rugby game of the Central Alameda County Athletic league series on the Livermore field last Saturday aftternoon. The final score was 0 to 0.

It was certainly a battle royal. The teams were as evenly matched as two teams could be and they both fought hard for the honors of the victor. There were a number of on-side plays on both sides and many scrums took place.

In the first half Livermore kicked off to Centerville who were defending the east goal. Centerville rushed the ball to Livermore's twenty-five but a long kick into touch by Livermore brought play back staeyd for the rest of the half.

In the second half the teams changed goals and Centerville kicked off. Play was in Livermore territory all of this half. Hunt carried the ball over the line but Henry put his hands on it and a try was not allowed. Centerville drbibled the ball over the line twice aftre this only to have a Livermore man fall on the ball and the game ended without a score.

Leonhardt, Livermore's coach, referreed the game and got off with his part of the performance in a most pleasing manner. The contending armies faced one another with the following arrangement of forces:

Livermore	Position	Centerville
McKelvey	front rank	Murphy
McGlinchey	front rank	
Barthe	front rank	Burchardi
Mehrman	middle rank	Tyson
Dyche	middle rank	Hunt
Kamp	Lock	Meyers
F. Winegar	Breakaway	Dassel
Smith	Breakaway	Nicol
	wing forward	Calhoun
Pruitt	half	Logan(C)
L. Pride	inside 5-8	Gonsalves
Henry	outside 5-8	George
Tocher(C)	center 3-4	Falk
D. Winegar	right wing	Hawley
Hunsaker	left wing	Wahaub
Martin	full-back	Rogers

Was Hit by a Falling Plank

Peter Cynningham a workman for the Locke Construction company on the Niles bridge ob, had a very close call last Saturday. While at work in the bottom of the pit which is about 30 feet deep he was struck by a plank which slipped away from the men at the surface. Cunningham was shoveling at the time and was just raising himself when the plank struck him. Owint to the position he was in he escaped with a severe gash in the back. Dr. J. M. Hanley of Decoto was called and took several stiches in the wound. Cunningham will soon be able to be about again.

Ghost Dance at Irvington

Aqua Pura Rebekah Lodge has mad all arrangements for a very enjoyable "Ghost arty" on the evening of October 19. Riggs Orchestra has been engaged to furnish the music. The dance will be given in Maple Hall and is for the benefit of the I. O. O. F. orphans home. Admission to the dance, including supper, is $.50 for both ladies and gentlemen and as it is for a good cause it is hoped that it will meet with very hearty support.

J. STITT WILSON TO SPEAK HERE

Socialist Candidate for Congress to Address Meetings Next Thursday

Is Making a Lively Campaign Against His Reactionary Opponent

J. Stitt Wilson, Socialist candidate for Congressman, will speak in Centerville and Niles on Thursday evening October 10. Mr. Wilson will speak first in Centerville and will then be hurried to the Niles meeting. Other speakers will address the Niles meeting which will be held in Connor's hall, prior to Mr. Wilson's arrival. Wilson is putting up a lively fight against Congressman Knowland and will poll a good vote in Washington township.

Alvarado Woodmen Give Card Party

The Alvarado Woodmen gave a card party Tuesday evening, entertaining their families and the Ladies Circle of Woodcraft. The game "500' was enoyed after which dainty refreshments were served in the di ing room which was tastefully decorated with flaming geraniums. Mrs. McCarty won first prize and Mrs. Foley, second. After the guests were seated each lady drew a card from the deck, the three selected ones being drawn bv Mrs. Taintor Miss Soito and Miss Nauert, when each heard his card called, shouted with joy, thinking they had won consolation prizes, bt when the committee calmly announced that it was up to the three poor unfortunates to wash the dishes, poor Mrs. Tainton's wash the dishes, poor Dally Tainton's shouts of joy were turned to grief. Much fun was had over the joke. The committee, consisting of A. R. Dees, O. J. Emery, and E. A. Richmond Jr., acted ttheir parts well.

Birthday Club Holds Meeting

The Birthday Club met last week Friday at the home of Mrs. Mayhew in honor of her birthday. The twelve members first enjoyed a delightful members first enjoyed a delightful luncheon and cards followed for the afternoon. The Club gift to Mrs. Mayhew was a half dozen salad forks and the Club gift to the one making the highest score at cards—a pretty piece of China—was awarded to Miss DeCora. Mrs.H. G. Parsons of Bakersfield, Mrs. M. Bell of Palo Alto, Mrs. D. Velsir and Mrs. Schofield of Niles were guests of the Club for the afternoon.

Fell 30 Feet Into Pit at Bridge

William Morgensen, a carpenter at the Niles bridge, fell thirty feet to the bottom of one of the pits Wednesday. He escaped serious injury unless it should prove that he was hurt internally. The presence of considerable water in the bottom of the pit is believed to have saved him from serious if not fatal injury. The injurde man was taken to the Wesley hotel where he is being cared for by Dr. Hanly of Decoto.

NEW LAW IS VERY STRICT

Will Show up Publishers Provided They Don't Evade It.

Under a new law passed in August every newspaper is now obliged to advertise certain facts connected with its business. The purpose of the law is to show wherever possible the power behind the scenes. Hence it reqires the publication of mortgagees, stockholders, bondholders, etc.

The law is perfectly satisfactory to the straight newspaper man as he will be perfectly willing to make known his backers. The law will not compel in all cases the men who want to hide their connection with a publication from becoming known. There are various ways by which the political bosses can keep themselves in the background. The law will have a good effect just the same.

The law requires that the statement of the newspaper be filed on Oct. 1. Copies of the statements to be filed reached us on Spt. 29 and were filed on Oct. 1. The statement will appear in next week's issue.

Extracts from the law are as follows:

Sec. 467½. It shall be the duty of the editor, publisher, business manager, or owner of every newspaper, magazine, periodical, or other publication to file with the Postmaster General and the postmaster at the office at which said publication is entered, not later than the first day of April and the first day of October of each year, on blanks furnished by the Post Office Department, a sworn statement, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of the editor and managing editor, publisher, business managers, and owners, and, in addition, the stockholders, if the publication be owned by a corporation; and also the names of known bondholders, mortgagees, or other security holders; and also, in the case of daily newspapers, there shall be included in such statement the average of the number of copies of each issue of such publication sold or distributed to paid subscribers during the preceding six months; Provided, That the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to religious, fraternal, temperance, and scientific, or other similar publications: Provided further, That it shall not be necessary to include in such statement the names of persons owning less than one per centum of the total of such stock, bonds, mortgages, or other securities. A copy of such sworn statement shall be published in the secodn issue of such newspaper, magazine, or other publication printed next after the filing of such statement. Any such publication shall be denied the privileges of the mail if it shall fail to comply with the provisions of this paraagraph within ten days after notice by registered letter of such failure. (Act of August 24, 1912.)

2. All editorial or other reading matter published in any such newspaper, magazine, or periodical for the publication of which money or other valuable consideration is paid, accepted, or promised shall be plainly marked "avertisement." And editor or publisher printing editorial or other reading matter for which compensation is paid, accepted, or promised without so marking the same, shall upon conviction in any court having jurisdiction, be fined not less than fifty dollars ($50) nor more than five hundred dollars ($500). (Act of Augustt 24, 1912.)

3. The statement required by this section shall be made in duplicate, on Form 3526, and both copies delivered to the postmaster at the office of entry of the publication. Th postemaster will forward one copy to the Third Assistant Postmaster General (Division of Classification), and retain the other in the files of the post office. To enable publishers to file such statements promptly, postmasters will furnish them copies of Form 3526 at lears ten days prior to the first days of April and October of each year.

4. Postmasters will obtain for the files of their offices two copies of the issue of each publication at their respective offices, in which the required sworn statement is published.

5. Postmasters must give prompt and careful attention to the making and filing by publishers of the statements required by this section, and promptly report to the Third Assistant ostmaster General the failure of any publisher to filee such statement, or to publish it in the second issue of the publication printed next after it has been filed, but in no case shall a publication be denied the privileges of the mail except upon Departmental instructions.

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Oakland and the Proposed Annexation Amendment

OAKLAND is just now making a strenuous fight to defeat the measure that will permit her people to vote themselves into a Greater San Francisco. We do not blame Oakland for fighting to preserve her autonomy as a city and to preserve and further utilize the prestige she has gained in the past six years. Oakland certainly deserves great credit for her enterprise in building docks and wharves, setting aside parks, building schools, an auditorium, and a fine city hall. Her citizens also deserve great credit for building such fine buildings as the Bankers hotel, etc. But all these things and much more can also be said in praise of San Francisco since the fire. No city in the world ever showed a finer spirit in facing a terrible catastrophe than has San Francisco.

Under the present law San Francisco cannot expand her territory. She cannot even annex a part of the peninsula on which she is located. It seems no more than right that she should have the same chance to increase her territory down the peninsula that Oakland has to make a city and county embracing all of Alameda County. And on the otther hand in securing this right no other city should be denied the same privilege. Here is where Oakland has its best argument against San Francisco. If the proposed emendment should carry only San Francisco and Los Angeles could avail themselves of its provisions as no other city in the State would approach the 350,000 class. This is a fatal weakness in the proposed amendment as otherwise the amendment seems fair enough. Under the new county charter law, however, practically the same results can be achieved as could be under a consolidated city and county government.

As we have said before no one can blame Oakland for fighting the amendment with all the vigor she can command. She is fighting not only to preserve her identity as a city but she sees visions of a much greater future ahead and should even the cloud of consolidation hover over her during the next few years it would undoubtedly do her great injury.

But while Oakland is reaching out for help during the next few weeks she should be reminded of the absolutely selfish policy she is pursuing on the water supply question. Instead of backing San Francisco's efforts to secure a Sierra water supply, she is endeavoring to force that city to give up either the Hetch Hetchy or the Spring Valley system. While Oakland is busy building docks and putting on an attractive municipal appearance she is doing absolutely nothing to help bring in the Sierra water supply. The proposed formation of the municipal water district on this sde of the bay indicates that Oakland intendends to develop the nearest and cheapest water supply even at the expense of her outlying territory.

It will be a narrow, selfish policy if Oakland seeks to drain any further supply of water from our township. Oakland should make her intention on the Sierra water supply known to the entire bay region. Is she willing to shoulder part of the expense of bringing in this supply or does she want to wait till San Francisco has stood all the expense? And then when Oakland has built all her docks and wharves, and parks and schools, etc., and built herself up as a rival to San Francisco, when she has drained all of the water she will be permitted to take out of this section after another ten years have elapsed, will Oakland then be willing to bear her share of bringing in the Sierra supply if any is left unappropriated? We do not doubt that Oakland's intentions are all right on this water question only she hasn't as yet expressed them. Now is a good time for the Mayor of Oakland to take the rest of the county into his confidence. If the annexation amendment is defeated will Oakland enter a larger municipal water district embracing both sides of the bay so that the Sierra supply can be brought to the bay region?

Such an announcement of Oakland's intention would greatly help to swell tthe vote of our section aganist the consolidation amendment.

The Press is frank to admitt that so far as this township is concerned if San Francisco should buy ont Spring Valley our interests with San Francisco as a controller of our water supply would be far more important than our interests with Oakland as the extreme end of her political kite. Give us an ample water supply and we will be abundantly able to take care of the tax rate no matter who fixes it.

Before the present supervisorial term is finished our section will be shorn of its undue political influence in the county and we will be a small factor even with Oakland so the political end of it or the tax rate will not cut very much of a figure with us. Under either a consolidated City and County of Oakland or a Greater San Francisco we will become a small and insignificant borough and it will not matter much to us whether the present poliical Tammany in Oakland runs us or whether a bigger one with its octopus center across the bay reaches its tentacles out.

This township, however, has a **real, vital interest in the water supply question.** It would be better for us to belong to a Greater San Francisco if that will bring in the Hetch Hetchy water supply than stick to Oakland and have our township made a water preserve. But if Oakland is willing to enter into the formation of a municipal water district that will bring in the Sierra supply then of course we would prefer to see Oakland work out her own destiny.

What does Oakland intend to do on the water question?

Make the Sanitary District Large Enough

IF NILES is to have a sewer system it must first form a santary district. The only other alternative is incorporation and that we are not likely to secure yet awhile at least until we are weaned by our indulgent county government. So long as the county sprinkles our streets and cares for them, and lights them up at night it will be dificult for our people to be convinced that they should vote to tax themselves for these things.

But the county will not furnish us with a sewer system. That we must build and pay for ourselves. That the sentiment in Niles is ripe for such a movement we are convinced. To delay the installation of this modern necessity is to invite delay in the town's development if not something far worse in the way of sickness for the community.

As we have stated there are two ways of procedure; one by means of a sanitary district for unincorporated communities and the other through the regular machinery of the incorporated town. Naturally the sanitary district is the only one for Niles to use. The question that first arises is: What territory shall the proposed district embrace?

In arranging the boundaries of the proposed district it will be well to keep in mind the bonudaries which Niles is to have when it becomes an incorporated town. If a bond issue is floated only the territory embraced in the district at the time of the issuance of bonds can be taxed to pay off the bond issue. On the other han only such territory as can avail itself of the proposed sewer system should be included in the district. It will be seen ,therefore, that the matter of drawing the boundaries for the proposed sanitary district is a matter of the utmost importance.The growth and development of the town will in a large measure be influenced by the boundaries of the proposed sanitary district.

The Press beieves that a great mistake will be made if the whole question of a sanitary district, and the proposed sewer system is not thrown wide open for discussion and suggestion. We also believe that the engineering features of the problem should be looked into by men who understand their business. We believe it will be far cheaper in the end for the sanitary district to pay the necessary cost for expert advice in this matter than for our people to plunge into a situation on the advice of a committee whose conclusions may be largely guesswork. Niles has had too much of this kind of plunging in the past and it should by this time have learned the lesson of careful preparation beforehand.

It would be the height of folly to build a temporary makeshift sewer system. It will be all right to build a system that can eventually form a part of a larger system.

What we need most at the present time is a study of the needs, feasibility and cost of a sewer system for Niles. We will also need to encourage a sanitary district in order that the necessary and exact information can be secured by the district.

THE COUNTY CHARTER IDEA

THE MOVEMENT on the part of the Alameda County Taxpayers Association to bring about a revision of our county government is a commendable move. The Press wishes, however, to warn our people that the greatest element of danger in the proposed new charter is the "short ballot" reform." If the people are to be entrus ed with voting on a dozen amendments at each election surely they can also select their own public officers.

Our people will need to be on the alert lest through the proposed charter they place themselves more completely than ever under the control of the Oakland bosses.

SOME two weeks ago we asked the Register: Are you for or against the proposed racetrack gambling measure. In place of answering the Register evaded the qusetion by referring us to a former issue in which it dealt with the proposed amendment. Both the Republican and the Democratic State conventions declared against the proposed measure last week. Every reputable newspaper in California has declared against the measure. Why not come out squarely and let your readers know whether you favor reopening racetrack gambling or not, Mr. Rood? Are you for it or against it?

FOR several weeks the Register has been as silent as a clam in its support of Roosevelt. Has the soft pedal been put on since the primary election?

A NEWSPAPER that openly advocates the cause of the saloons might naturally be expected to be FOR the racetrack gambling measure.

TRINITY CHURCH MISSION

Divine Service will be held in the Guild Hall, Niles, every Sunday at 3.30 o'clock, except on the first Sunday of each month when it will be at 11 o'clock and the Holy Communion will be administered.

All are cordially invited to attend.

FIELD AND TRACK MEET TO BE GIVEN BY CHOIR

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Proposed Race-Track Gambling Bill

By FRANKLIN HICHBORN

HOW THE GAMBLERS ARE USING TRICKERY TO PASS THE INITIATIVE MEASURE RESTORING RACE-TRACK GAMBLING.

James H. Barry, editor of the San Francisco Star, in the issue of September 14, tells of how he was tricked into signing the petition to have the bill to legalize racetrack gambling submitted to The People of California.

Gamblers Misrepresent.

When Mr. Barry went to register, he was asked to sign the petition on the ground that it was to prevent racetrack gambling.

With this understanding, Mr. Barry signed gladly, and got others to sign. Later on he learned that he had signed a petition to give racetrack gamblers opportunity to resume operations. Of the incident, Mr. Barry says in The Star:

"We signed this initiative petition, and we did so under the supposition that the bill was what it purported to be, a throttle for gambling in California. It appears, however, that there is a 'bug' in the measure, and that it really was designed to foster racetrack gambling in this State."

Barry's friends are inclined to regard the incident as a good joke on Barry, for Barry and Barry's paper have for years been uncompromisingly against the racetrack gamblers.

It is a joke—if a piece of deception, misrepresentation and trickery can be regarded as joking.

Not An Exceptional Case.

And Barry is not the only citizen who helped put the gambing bill on the ballot in the belief that he was supporting an anti-gambing measure. Hundreds were, in the same manner, tricked into signing the petition.

And casual reading of the bill convinces the average person that it is, as the gamblers pretend it to be, a measure to prevent racetrack gambling, when its real purpose is to restore the evil in California.

By the same trickery by which the necessary signatures were secured to have the bill submitted to the voters, the gamblers hope to secure favorable action upon it.

The gamblers and their supporters will all vote for the gambing bill for what it is. But these cannot muster the necessary votes to restore racetrack gambling in California. Honest men and women who oppose racetrack gambling must be tricked into voting for the gambling law or it cannot be carried.

The gamblers hope to get these men and women to vote for their measure, just as they got Editor Barry to sign for it, namely, by representing it to be what it is not.

The bill has been worded to make its purpose appear to be to suppress racetrack gambling; the title by which it goes on the ballot declares the measure an act to prohibit pool-selling and book-making; And yet, under its provisions, racetrack gambling will be revived in California. And for such is the measure intended.

All Must Vote.

Under the Initiative Amendment to the State Constitution a majority of the vote cast for the initiated measure makes it a law. The gambling element will vote for the initiated law and work for it.

Opponents of racetrack gambling must cast more votes against the gambling law than the gamblers succeed in securing for it, or racetrack gambling will be established in California by vote of The People.

The gamblers, with millions at stake, regard the passage of this measure as the most important matter before The People—more important than the election of judges, more important than the election of legislators, more important than the election of the President. They will labor for the passage of the measure tirelessly.

Only by the determined effort on the part of those who oppose the evils of racetrack gambling — and their votes—can the bill's passage be prevented.

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Regular services in the Niles Congregational church morning and evening next Sabbath day. Preaching by pastor at 11 a. m and 7.45 p. m. Sabbath school at10a.m. C. E. society at 6.30 p. m. Regular mid-week prayer service on Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

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Irvington

Miss Steele made a week end trip to Berkeley and spent the time with her folks.

Mr. Heiduska of San Francisco visited with Mr. and Mrs. Heiduska of Irvington.

Mr. Olinda spent the week end in San Jose with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Brewer and Mr. and Mrs. S. Stivers will spend the first of the week sight seeing in the City.

Mrs. Ed Roderick went to Palo Alto on Wednesday for a visit of several days with friends.

Mrs. Tierney will entertain as her guests over Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Bachelder of San Mateo.

Miss Guatadine is spendng a few days wth Mrs.Chrstensen.

Mr. Rose who recently lost his hotel property in Warm Springs by fire will move into the Lincoln place for the present.

Miss Helen Blacow spent Wednesday in San Francisco, Miss Josephine Blacow acting as Post Mistress for the day.

Mr. Allson spent a few days last week in Sunhyvale.

Miss Pauline Mattos visited friends in Palo Alto last Thursday.

E. Babb of Oakland and his mother of Niles visited with Mr. and Miss Babb on Tuesday and all enjoyed a fine auto trip in Mr. E. Babb's fine machine.

Miss June Witherly was the guest this week of Miss Ella Lowrie.

Miss Julia Millard has returned to her home from a few days visit with friends in San Francisco.

Miss Tina Rasmussen and Mr. Barnes of Stockton were married at the latter place on Monday, September 30.

W. W. Hirsch is making preparations to move from his present location as his lease has expired and the owner of the property. Mrs. Cash, will take possession on November 1.

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Quite a number of attempts have been made by local automobilists to climb the steep ascent on Walpert's hill. It remained for Antrim Bunting to be the first to perform this difficult feat. It was done recently in a 30 horsepower Hupmobile. In the car at the time with Bunting were W. Walton, M. Pimentel and Arthur Juhl.

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Alvarado

Mrs. E. A. Richmond and Mrs. Robie were guests of the Harveys on an auto ride to Oakland on Tesday.

Miss Annie Lowrie is visitting in Stockton and will be the guest of Mrs. Walter Gerlach for the month of October.

Mrs. F. C. Harvey has cards out for an "At Home" on Wednesday, October the ninth.

Mrs. J. H. Ralph spent Wednesday and Thursday with her mother, Mrs. P. Lowrie.

The Ladies Aid held its regular meetting on Wednesday aftrnoon at the Logan ranch. A very delghtful afternoon was enjoyed and much work was accompplished.

Mr. Arthur Dees spet Wednesday in Oakland.

Mrs. Jung was called to Mt Eden on Wednesday to attend the funeral of her sister Miss Penke whose death occrred on Tuesday.

Mrs. Smith is having a new cottage erected on her property, her sons doing the work.

The Alvarado Fire House is having a much needed new shingle roof put on.

SERVICES AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN IRVINGTON

Rev. J. J. White of San Francisco will preach at the Christian Church in Irvington Sunday Oct. 6, at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.

NILES SUNDAY SCHOOL ENJOYS A PARTY

The officers and teachers of the Niles Sunday school entertained the pupils on last Saturday. From two to four in the afternoon the younger members had a happy time. In the evening the older classs were entertained.

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH SERVICES

Eveing services will be held at St. James Episcopal church on the first Sunday of each month, beginning Oct. 6th. Services at eight o'clock. Rev. William Ford Higby will revi w Arnold Bennett's book on "How to Live on Twenty-four Hours a Day." The public is cordially invited.

LAURA LOMA PARLOR HOLDS REGULAR MEETING

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Niles Notes

Mrs. Belle Abernethy was a week-end guest of Miss DeCora from Saturday to Tuesday.

Mrs. H. G. Parsons returned to Bakersfield on Saturday last after a visit with the Mayhew family and at Belvoir.

Miss Rose Hyman of San Francisco was a recent visitor at the Easterday home. Her brother Milton Hyman is now engaged in writing stories for moving picture shows. The Hyman family formerly lived in Niles.

Mrs. E. E. Wade of San Francisco spent Thursday in town with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. McKee and Mrs. Hubbard McKee of San Jose visited friends in town on Monday, They were on their way home from a trip to Stockton by automobile.

Mr. and Mrs. Payson of Berkeley have been making their home with Mrs. J. E. Thane for the past six weeks. Mrs. Payson has been quite an invalid but has been benefited by the change to Niles.

Mrs. Thane is expecting a visit next month from her daughter Mrs. James Whipple of Juneau, Alaska.

Many Niles ladies attended the reception given by Mrs. Clara Layson and Mrs. Elizabeth Beard at the home of Mrs. Layson near Newark last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Salz who were recently married in Stockton were visiting friends in town last Saturday.

The warm weather of the past week is fulfilling the prophesies of the weather man for a warm October and also helping along the nut harvest.

Mr. Fergus McKenna of Burlingame was a visitor in town on Wednesday and Thursday looking up old friends and former acquaintance.

Trinity guild will hold its regular meeting in the Guild Hall next Wednesday witth Mrs. Clara Martenstein as hostess.

Mrs. Olive Bonner will pass her birthday to-morrow (Saturday).

Mrs. L. E. Shinn met with quite a serious accident one day last week when her invalid chair fell from over the edge of the porch, her shoulder being quite badly injured. She will be obliged to wear her arm in a sling for some time.

Mrs. Morgan and children were in Niles on Wednesday. They have moved their household goods to Livermore and will make their home there.

Mrs. M. Lewis of Centerville spent Wednesday in Niles, the guest of Mrs. Preston.

Mrs. C. T. Peterson of Centerville was a guest of the Niles Guild on Wednesday.

Dr. ad Mrs. C. L. McKown and little sons are enjoying an outing at Pacific Grove.

Mrs. A. B. Hill spent Wednesday in San oJse.

Miss Edith Granville has been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hatch this week. She leaves next week for Alaska where she will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hatch at Juneau.

Mr. and Mrs. Breeding together with their children, Miss Neva, Russel and Howard, returned on Monday from a month's visit through the East.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hatch and Mr. and Mrs. James Easterday spent Friday in the city.

Mr. Joe Gomes has been having his house on the Mendoza place remodeled the home now being a one story building instead of a two story one.

Miss Betty Jones spent Snday with Mr. and Mrs. F. V. Jones.

Mrs. M. Cadwallader spent the week-end with her son in Oakland.

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Miss Mary Barnard entertained a number of her girl friends at an At Home Friday afternoon. Those present were the Misss Flornce Sharpe, Nona La Fleche, Edna Tyson, Vivien Ellis and Gladys Catterlin.

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ENTERTAINMENT

An entertainment, Red Riding Hood, and other numbers, will be given in Connors Theatre Friday evening, Oct. 25, for the benefit of the Congregational Church.

Newark

Chas. Haley writes of his safe arrival in Lima, Peru, and of his preparation for departure to the mines, where he will be stationed for some time at an elevation of 1400 feet above sea level.

Mrs. C. S. Haley entertained the Union 500 Club on Monday afternoon last, it being the first meeting of the fall and winter series. This Club numbers three tables of players. Mrs. Haley entertained the Bridge Club of two tables of players one day last week at its first meeting of the winter season.

Miss Wales spent Saturday night and Sunday with her parents.

Mrs. Craig of San Jose spent part of last week with her daughter Mrs. Boles.

Mrs. Louis Ruschin was in the city last week on a pleasure trip.

Miss Mary Brown writes from Chicago of very unpleasant weather conditions.

Newark carried off honors in the baseball game with Niles last Sunday. The score was about 11 to 0. Newark will play Decoto next Sunday at Irvington.

There will be the regular church services nevt Sunday. Sabbath school at 9.45, Worship at 11, C. E. at 6.30 and evening Worship at 7.30.

The new Sabbath school room was occupied last Sabbath for the first present.

Miss Susie Brown spent a few days in Oakland this week.

Mr. Moses spent Thursday in the city.

The Graham foundry is having a very busy time at present.

The postoffce and Niewark hotel buildings look very nice in their new coat of paint.

The Birthday Club was entertained on Thursday by Mrs. Wm. Williams at her home. A very pleasant afternoon was enjoyed by all.

E.F.Krause and Mr.Spencer spent last Saturday at Mt. Tamalpais. The day was a fine one, the atmospheric conditions being perfect for a good conditions being perfect for a good view of the whole country.

Hunting season opens up Oct. 15, and the sportsmen are all busy with preparations for the event.

Mrs. Thompson spent Thursday in Centerville.

S. P. TIME TABLE

NILES

Toward San Francisco:

No.	Lv.Niles	Train	Ar.O.Pier.
89	5.53a	San Jose	7.00a
93	7.00	Livermore	8.00
91	7.48	San Jose	9.00
95	1.05p	San Jose	2.20p
181	1.40	Stockton	2.40
31	2.59	Sacramento	4.00
97	5.03	San Jose	6.20
37	6.10	Sacramento	7.00
51	9.28	Fresno	10.15
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110 2.15a	2.52a	The Newsboy	3.37a
500	4.05	Milk	4.50
90 6.40	7.15	San Jose	8.15
82 7.20	7.54	Stockton	8.42
33 9.00	9.34	Sacramento	10.25
92 1.00p	1.33p	San Jose	2.25p
504 1.20	1.57	Centerville	2.50
94 2.40	3.15	San Jose	4.10
38 4.00	4.34	Stockton	5.20
96 4.40	5.15	Livermore	6.10
182 5.20	5.55	San Jose	7.00
98 6.20	6.55	San Jose	7.57

Toward San Jose:

Lv.Niles		Ar.S.Jose
90 8.20a	San Francisco	9.00a
188 10.30	Centerville	11.05
92 2.30p	San Francisco	3.05p
94 4.13	San Francisco	4.55
190 6.25		7.00
98 8.00	San Francisco	8.40

From San Jose:

Lv.S.Jose		Ar.Niles
89 5.15a	San Francisco	5.50a
513 6.05	Centerville	6.55
91 7.10	San Francisco	7.45
95 12.25p	San Francisco	1.00p
97 4.20	San Francisco	5.00
189 5.25		6.00
515 4.30	Centerville	5.20

Centerville Branch:

Lv.Niles		Ar.Newark
507 4.57a	Milk Train	5.10a
513 6.58	San Francisco	7.11
509 3.00p	San Jose	3.15p
515 5.25	San Francisco	5.43

Lv.Newark		Ar.Niles
188 10.00a	Niles Passenger	10.12a

Dumbarton Cut-Off:

Lv.Redwood		Ar.Newark
512 5.15p	Oakland	6.00p
Lv.Newark		Ar.Redwood
509 3.20p		4.30p

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Decoto

A arge delegation of Shriners from SanF rancisco will visit the Masonic Home this Saturday afternoon and will enjoy an entertainment in Siminoff Temple in the evening. The moving pictures at the home will be a feature of the entertainment.

Arthur Whipple leaves for Towle, Placer County, next Monday where he will spend two weeks vacation with his brothers Ed and Ted Whipple.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Crane were in Sacramento last week.

Mrs. Patterson who has been the guest of her sister Mrs. McCarty returned on Snday to her home in Taft. Her son who was also a gest at the McCarty home returned to Palo Alto where he is attending Stanford.

Rob Haines returned Tuesday from a trip to Sacramento.

Dr. Hanley has been bsy this week attending patients in Niles in the abscence of Dr. C. L. McKown.

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Centerville

Mr. Beale and wife left Centerville this week for their new home in Richmond. Their friends regret their going but ttrust the change will prove of benefit to Mrs. Beale.

Miss Mary Bernardo has returned from a two weeks trip to Palomares and Oakland. While away she was quite ill.

The Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian church met on this Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Geo. W. Wright. At the close of the afternoon sewing delicious refreshments were served.

J. S. Bell spent Thursday in the city.

Harold Bodeutch who is employed by the Fiske Rubber company in San Francisco spent the week with his folks in Centerville. He visited at high school.

Mrs. Rogers spent Friday in the city.

The Sweet Sixteen Club will meet with Mrs. S. Hansen next Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Huxley has been lying quite seriously ill at Fabiola Hospital. At last reports she was somewhat improved.

Mrs. Mary C. Allen returned from her European trip last Friday evening. In all she was away nearly 8 montths and hre friends are glad to welcome her home. On Monday evening a surprise was tendered her by her immediat neighbors at the home of Mrs. Marion Mowry.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Bunting are spending a couple of weeks in Los Angeles.

Mrs. John R. Blacow, who is at the Alameda Sanitorium, having been operated on for appendicitis is reported to be doing well.

Mr. B. C. Mickle has been ill for the past week with lumbago.

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